PUBLIC NOTICE

PERMIT APPLICATION: NRS #05.454

APPLICANT: State of Tennessee

Department of Transportation

Environmental Planning and Permits Division

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LOCATION: Main Street Bridge Replacement, Unnamed Branch

Tipton County

WATERSHED DESCRIPTION: The unnamed tributary watershed consists of numerous small tributaries and wetlands. Land use is predominantly rural. The unnamed tributary is primarily sand/mud bottomed and varies in width approximately 4 to 10 foot wide with 4-9 foot banks. The existing vegetation along the stream channel is grasses and shrubs.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant proposes to replace the existing Main Street bridge over an unnamed tributary to the Loosahatchie River. The replacement would require relocation of an intermittent stream channel. At Station 50+50+/- (Rt.) to Sta. 52+60+/- (Rt.) the existing 210 ft. of open intermittent channel would be relocated into a turf reinforced mat lined channel 218 ft. in length. Several small roadside wetlands would be permanently impacted for a total impact of 0.14 acre. The applicant proposes to mitigate for wetland impacts by debiting, at a 4:1 ratio, 0.56 acre of available credit from the Obion County Wetland Mitigation Bank. Stream The applicant also proposes to mitigate stream impacts by paying \$21, 000.00 to the In-lieu Fee Stream Mitigation Program. Other aspects of the project are covered under general permits for road crossings. Standard erosion control devices would be used to prevent sediment from entering flowing water. Upon completion of the work, all disturbed areas would be stabilized and planted with native grasses.

PERMIT COORDINATOR: Brian Canada, STATE OF TENNESSEE, Department of Environment and Conservation Division of Water Pollution Control, 7th Floor, L&C Annex, 401 Church Street, Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1534

USGS TOPOGRAPHIC QUADRANGLE: Mason, TN (415-NE)

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: The application described above has been submitted for an Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit pursuant to *The Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of* 1977, T.C.A. §69-3-108.

The purpose of this notice is to advise all concerned of the proposal for which a permit is sought, and to solicit comments and information necessary to evaluate the probable impact of the activities upon the respective water resources. The decision whether to issue or deny will in part be based upon that evaluation. All factors that may be relevant to the proposals will be considered.

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the issuance of a proposed permit are invited to submit comments in writing to the Department of Environment and Conservation Division of Water Pollution Control at the address listed above. Written statements received in this office on or before the date of expiration of the comment period thirty days from the publication date of this

notice will become part of the record and will be considered in the determination. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced.

Interested persons may also request in writing that the director of the Division hold a public hearing on any application. The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person requesting it, and the reasons that the hearing is warranted. When there is sufficient public interest, the director shall hold a hearing in accordance with Rule 1200-4-7-.04(4)(f).

After consideration of comments submitted during the public comment period, the hearing record if any, and the requirements of federal and State law, the director of the Division will make determinations regarding the final action on each permit. Permit applications, supporting documentation, and related comments are available for review and/or copying.

In accordance with the Tennessee Antidegradation Statement (Rule 1200-4-3-.06), the division has determined that the proposed activity will not result in degradation to water quality.

